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(FROM THE DAILY OF FRIDAY.)
THE CONVENTION.L. C. Smith Calls the Sixth District
Convention To Order.Senator Pickler, of Smith, Elected Chair-
man, and Mr. Mooney Secretary—
the Committee.

At 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon the Sixth district congressional convention met at Armory hall which had been handsomely decorated and chairs arranged for delegations in a convenient manner. A long table had been placed on the stage for the use of the press and the speaker and secretaries of the convention were well provided for.

L. C. Smith, chairman of the congressional committee, called the meeting to order and upon motion R. M. Pickler, a state senator from Smith county, was elected temporary chairman without a dissenting voice but many of the delegates did not vote, even in the affirmative.

Hon. Pickler on being introduced by Mr. Smith, thanked the convention and in brief substance spoke as follows:

"Gentlemen of the convention and members of the press: 'As I stand before the wealth and intelligence of that great party of progress, I am without words to express the gratitude you have tendered me. Although the candidates of the republican party during the last campaign, all over this country elected a number sufficient to have a majority, at the head of National affairs and placing a beloved man in the presidential chair, that party has extended to us an obligation to perform. As a party we are held strictly accountable for the success of this country. Here in Western Kansas are people who come from every clime and nation. They have brought the intelligence from every country.

In the Sixth district there is an intelligence just as deep as anywhere in the United States. But there is one thing we must keep in view in this convention. This is the first of a National character that has occurred up to this time since Harrison was elected president of these United States. The eyes of the people all over this country are upon the city of Colby to day. If we forget that we are here to represent the republican party, and depart from its path, it will be a shame.

As a chairman of this convention, I shall experience some difficulty and will need assistance from you which I hope to receive. We must not forget that we are here to represent the republican party and not here in the interest of any one individual. Gentlemen, I thank you."

Geo. K. Mooney, of Norton county, was elected secretary by about the same vote which elected the speaker.

It was moved that the chair appoint a committee of five on credentials but as the chairman had no means of knowing who were entitled to serve, the motion was amended to call the roll of counties and those contested to so state. The following announced contests: Gove, Jewell, Logan, Mitchell, Rooks, Sherman and Wallace.

Motions were then carried to appoint committees of five each on credentials, permanent organization, rules and order of business and seven on the committee of resolutions. A recess was then taken in order to give the chairman an opportunity to make out the committees.

On re-assembling W. H. Dunn was appointed assistant secretary and Chairman Pickler announced the committees as follows:

Credentials—C. J. Evans, of Ellsworth; E. E. Ames, of Norton; D. L. Hubler, of Smith; Frank Stafford, of Osborne, M. A. Chambers, of Sheridan.

Rules and Order of Business—A. W. Robertson, of Phillips; H. J. Harwi, of Graham; F. B. Gordiner, of Ellsworth; A. B. Arrow, of Smith; I. N. Cope, of Norton.

Permanent Organization—H. A. Allen, of Russell; A. R. Bazick, of Lincoln; J. A. Pinny, of Ellsworth; D. E. Bowles, of Norton; O. L. Reed, Smith.

Resolutions—W. H. McBride, of Osborne; Nels Peterson, of Thomas; S. H. Thomas, of Ellsworth; H. W. Joy, of Ellis; J. N. McNay, of Phillips; W. H. Dunn, of Trego; C. M. Cunningham, of Osborne.

A motion to adjourn until 7:30 p. m. was carried by a vote of 45 to 33.

The committee on arrangements composed of L. L. French, J. P. Bayha and R. M. McGonigal accompanied the committees to the Dow building where most of them went into session.

At 7:30 o'clock the convention met but as the committees were not ready to report, adjourned to 9 o'clock this morning.

The concert which was to have been given last night at Armory hall had to be indefinitely postponed on account of the convention going to have an evening session. The delegates very much deplored the action of the convention when it was learned that no night session was to be had and the concert having to be postponed. It will be given to night if the hall is not in use.

(FROM THE DAILY OF SATURDAY.)
THE CONVENTION.No Business Transacted by the Honorable
Body andSlow Progress Made by the Committee on
Credentials in Settling the Contested
Delegation Matter.

The congressional convention met yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, but the committee on credentials sent in a communication that they had not yet finished examining into the record of the contested delegations. An adjournment was then taken to 1:30 p. m. At that hour but little progress was reported, and the convention again adjourned to 4:30 o'clock. At that hour the same kind of a note was read. The delegates were again given a recess until 7:30, but the committee on credentials had not yet finished the investigation, and asked until 8 o'clock this morning to hand in a report. The request was granted, as nothing else could be done. The convention then adjourned to 9 o'clock this morning.

It was announced that there would be a concert at 8:30 p. m. given by the singers of Colby.

Another gentleman announced that the delegates who are members of the Farmers' Alliance would meet this morning in the office of W. S. Willcoxson to attend to important business.



ON THE OUTSIDE.

The selection of a congressman for the Sixth district seems to still be a mystery, and the matter stands about the same as it did Thursday. Some delegates charge the committee on credentials with doing corrupt work in their investigation but we do not think that there is any ground for such expressions. We believe the committee to be composed of fair, honest and upright gentlemen who would rather be right than be president of the United States. The committee will be ready to report this morning and then the fun will begin. It is thought by some that in some cases there will be a majority and minority reports on a few of the contested delegations. If such proves to be true the whole day may be consumed in argument and discussion. The hard fight, it is thought, will be right on this one point—of accepting the report. So far as we have been able to learn the committee on resolutions has finished its work and framed them to the satisfaction of those interested.

The Russell county delegation announces its intention of placing in nomination H. A. Allen, a gentleman of worth and influence from that county. Russell county thinks that they hold the key to a deadlock and in this manner they hope to secure the coveted prize.

It is rumored that if Turner cannot be nominated his followers will go to J. R. Hamilton, of Norton county, and this announcement has thrown the Hanback and McLennan men into a fever of excitement. By last night, however, the delegates and workers seemed to be contented and putting forth little effort. The wires have been stretched, and to those out of the ring no chance from the situation can be definitely discovered.

How the first ballot will stand cannot at this time be stated, though some enthusiastic friends of Mr. Turner venture to say that he will be nominated on first ballot. He certainly has a better show than any other candidate, but the tie fact that he is against the whole field

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ell county has been decided in favor of the Turner delegation, Jewell in favor of Hanback, and Gove in favor of Turner. Sherman and Logan will undoubtedly be decided in Turner's favor, and Rooks is thought to have been the same way. This is not to be banked on, however, as the committee will not give the "snap" away until the report is read in the convention. Later rumors say that Mitchell and Rooks have been thrown out.

The alliance is playing an important part in the program, and just what their action will be after the convention is only surmised. It is said that they wish to stand by the republicans, but the latter must give assurance that the farmers' interests will be looked after.

TRICKS AND TRAITS

Of Unfair Politicians and Delegates
as Perpetrated Yesterday.The Seventy-Second Ballot Reached, But
Still No Choice, and an Adjournment
Taken Until To-morrow
Morning.

The anxious throng which assembled at Convention hall yesterday morning were not surprised that the committee on credentials was not yet ready to report. While waiting, Editor Borin, of Oberlin, sang a song with something less than 200 verses and would have been singing yet had his voice not failed him. It was highly enjoyed, however, and the recitations by Lew Ginger of Atwood, fairly captivated the audience. Others sang songs or entertained the "waiters" in some manner.

About 10 o'clock the committee came in and on assembling for business Mr. Evans, chairman of the committee, arose and read the report of the committee on credentials which seated the delegates from uncontested counties.

Mr. Harwi, of Graham, objected to the committee bringing in that kind of a report, and spoke earnestly of the robbery which it intended.

Mr. McBride, of Osborne, thought the gentleman from Graham was attempting to obstruct the work of the convention. This was followed with cries of rats! rats! from the Turner delegates and friends.

Mr. Chambers, of Sheridan, spoke with fervor upon the subject, and offered to make a substitute motion requiring the committee to bring in a full report.

The chair ruled this out of order. The subject matter was then put as an amendment, the vote by counties being a tie, 36 to 36. 37 being necessary to carry, the motion was lost.

The motion to accept the report was lost by the same kind of a vote.

A motion was then made to seat the delegates from counties uncontested.

Mr. Harwi moved that the motion lie upon the table. Lost by a vote of 37 to 35, one of the Decatur county delegates voting "no."

The motion to seat the delegates was then voted on, and carried, the Decatur county gentleman voting in the negative.

Mr. Evans then submitted a majority committee report seating the Hanback delegates from Jewell county.

Mr. Chambers, secretary of the committee, read a minority report seating the Turner delegates.

A motion to adjourn failed to carry.

Mr. Harwi moved to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

Mr. Gill, of Thomas, moved to lay the original motion on the table. Lost.

The vote on the amendment was taken and lost by vote of 39 to 34. The Decatur county uncle got in his work again and Messrs. Reed and steel, of Thomas, voted in the negative.

The motion to adopt carried by a vote of 39 to 33. The negative on the former question voting in the affirmative.

Mitchell county was next reported by Mr. Evans, and moved its adoption. It was in favor of seating both delegations, each having a one-half vote.

Mr. Chambers read a minority report and moved that it be adopted as an amendment.

Both gentlemen recited the testimony given before the committee for the information of the delegates but seating Jewell county had given the anti-Turner working power and they defeated the amendment by a vote of 40 to 42.

A motion to adjourn was lost by the same vote.

The motion to adopt the majority report carried by a vote of 40 to 42.

A motion to adjourn until 4 o'clock carried by a strict party vote.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

On re-assembling at 4 o'clock Gove county delegates were reported by Mr. Evans. Of course he favored seating the anti-Turner delegation.

Mr. Chambers made a minority report to seat the Turner delegates and in support of his report made a magnificent speech, fair and honest, and recited the testimony which was admitted by the majority members of the committee. He read affidavits made by the contestees themselves that the meeting was illegal which elected anti-Turner delegates, but

seeing the error of their ways desired to correct their mistake and declared the Turner delegates elected.

In the face of all this and much other testimony given by Mr. Chambers, the anti-Turner delegates voted to accept the majority report, and carried the day by a vote of 48 to 46.

The hoodlums were justly hooted, but their consciences were so corrupt and defiled that they whipped themselves in to line though they could not wear honest countenances.

Wallace county was certainly for Turner and the minority report offered by Mr. Chambers so stated, but that was not the program, and the anti-Turners were seated by a vote of 49 to 42.

Rooks county was one of those places where both children were bad and the "big four" recommended that both delegations be seated with a half vote for each. Mr. Chambers made a minority report, but to no use, and the majority report was adopted by a vote of 47 to 39.

The next entrance on the bill of fare was the report on Sherman county. The same process was gone through with but to no purpose and while there was not the least grounds for a contest the anti-Turner delegates were seated by a vote of 51 to 46.

It was indeed a surprise when the majority committee reported Logan county in favor of the Turner delegates. Many of the Turner friends voted against accepting the report while some refused to vote at all. The motion carried.

The committee on permanent organization reported, making the temporary organization permanent. Report adopted.

Committee on resolutions reported the following platform, which was adopted:

We, the republicans of the Sixth congressional district in convention assembled, renew our allegiance to the National republican party—the party of patriotism and progress. The country is to be congratulated on the return of the republican party to complete power represented by the control of the treasury and both branches of congress—a power which will be exercised in a manner to best conserve the interests of all the people and to secure permanent public opinion of the country—the guide which Lincoln followed and which constitutes at once a hope and the basis of free institutions. Therefore we declare the following declaration of principles and pledge our hearty support of the same.

The business necessities of the country imperatively demand a large permanent increase of the volume of currency. This additional circulating medium should be obtained by the free coinage of silver; as well as the immediate circulation of those large amounts of money now hoarded in the vaults of the treasury as reserve funds, and by substituting the treasury notes as the National bank notes are retired.

We demand that congress should pass such laws as shall effectively prevent every combination that are formed to control the supply of agricultural and industrial production or the dealing in futures in such agriculture and mechanical productions making violation thereof a felony preserving such stringent procedure in trials as shall secure prompt conviction.

We demand that congress shall make further provision for the protection to secure permanent harbors of deep water on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico, and that the warfare shall be subject to strict governmental control.

It is the bounden duty of the government to in part discharge the obligation it owes in its honor-defenders in the time of extreme peril, and we demand the passage of the Ingalls per diem service pension bill and to this end we favor a fair and equitable adjustment of tariff duties, and demand the same degree of protection to agricultural production that is now or shall hereafter be given to the manufacturer, we are unalterably opposed to such a reduction in tariff rates as will make it impossible to meet the just demands of our pension legislation.

And we demand the same liberal interpretation and fulfillment of the contract with the soldiers who served the republic with the best of their blood.

We are in favor of the election by the people of the state of United States senators and the members of railroad commission, and of such changes in the law as will clothe said commissioners with power to protect the interests of the producers and shippers.

We have confidence that our national and state republican administrations will urge and carry out the measures that are calculated to elevate labor; control dangerous combinations of capital and corporate power; protect our industries; encourage agriculture and industrial production; do justice to all the reasonable demands of the old soldier; and conduct the National and state governments in the interests of integrity, economy and the strict enforcement of all the laws thereof.

RESOLVED, That congress be requested to prohibit the transportation of intoxicating liquors from any state or territory of the United States or the district of Columbia, into any other state or territory, for sale, contrary to and in violation of the laws thereof.

RESOLVED, That G. V. L. Humphrey and his associate state officers has given to the people of this state an able, impartial and patriotic statement of his affairs during their present term. That they are entitled to our thanks for their devotion to duty, and to a continuation of our confidence for the time being extended to permit a state affairs and we consider it inexpedient to call a special session of the legislature in view of the expense attendant thereon and the nearness of the coming year of the regular session.

RESOLVED, That we recognize in Senator John J. Ingalls, one of the great men of the nation, always equal to any occasion in all our enemies, a great power for good to Kansas, and we endorse the many fight he has made in the legislature to suppress all combinations in the agricultural products whereby the price of such commodities are to be lowered, and his struggle to obtain a severe pension for the survivors, soldiers and sailors of the late rebellion, their widows and orphans.

Resolved, That we favor a car-fair reduction of the tariff, placing sugar on the free list with a forty of two cents a pound on the home product, and the protection by tariff of all farm products that are brought into competition with foreign articles of like kind.

We are of the opinion that the government should enter the most efficient communication a transportation to the extent of insuring their operation in the interest of the people, with due regard to the rights of the owners and operating the same.

Resolved, That we demand from the congress of the United States to use all efforts to establish reciprocal trade relations with our sister republics of Mexico and the American states.

The committee on resolutions also passed the following unanimously:

RESOLVED, That this convention tender a vote of thanks to the honorable chairman and

secretaries of this convention for the impartial and able manner in which they have discharged the onerous duties imposed upon them by it.

Recognizing in the press an able and important aid in our efforts to educate the people, convert them to the republican faith and elect our nominees, this convention desires to express its thanks to the representatives of the press present, and especially to those of the city of Colby for courtesies extended.

RESOLVED, That we extend to the citizens of Colby our appreciation of their kindness and hospitality which has been extended to us during our stay here, and that we hereby endorse the candidacy of the respected citizen, Hon. C. M. Hovey, for the office of auditor of state.

The balloting was commenced about 6 o'clock, and after three had been taken the convention adjourned to 9 o'clock. At that hour it was resumed, and continued until 1:30 without material change. The ballots were rapidly conducted, and there seems to be no desire to obstruct the work. The convention after taking, the 72d ballot adjourned to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The balloting started out with 45 votes for Turner, 36 for Hanback, 8 for McLennan, and 8 for Hamilton. It continued about this way all through, only a few votes being changed from one candidate to another. Turner's highest was 47, when two of the Russell county men voted for him. Hanback at one time reached 38 votes. On the last ballot taken it stood Turner 45, Hanback 36, McLennan 8, McNall 7, and Hamilton 10.

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Musical Concert.

The musical concert last night was indeed as a spring of water in a desert as the delegates had no amusement during the day and the monotony of the hour was most delightfully relieved. The entertainment was delayed somewhat at but the delegates took it good naturedly and sang a few patriotic selections. The program as advertised in the Cat was carried out with the exception of a solo by E. P. Hovey which was omitted. The singers made a good appearance, sang well and we believe made a favorable impression with strangers. Encyclopes were frequent and hearty.

At the close of a program a vote of thank was voted the singers and also a round of applause given for the next State Auditor, C. M. Hovey.

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